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Senate Resolution 1539

By: Senators Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd and Buckner of the 44th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Cheryl R. Collins; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Reverend Cheryl L. Collins has demonstrated her commitment to teaching the
- 3 Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical,
- 4 psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Reverend Collins served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with
- 6 the United States Army where she was awarded the Bronze Star Medal of Valor for her
- 7 service; and
- 8 WHEREAS, a native of Louisiana, Reverend Collins studied Christian education at the
- 9 Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia; and
- 10 WHEREAS, her vision and direction have helped Pleasant Hill C.M.E. Church grow in size
- and influence, uplifting the community like the light of Bethlehem and serving as a spiritual
- 12 leader and place for fellowship; and
- 13 WHEREAS, affectionately known as "Preacher Girl," Reverend Collins has been recognized
- 14 with numerous honors and awards, including the Servant of the Year Award; and
- 15 WHEREAS, she was called upon by the Commanding General of the United States Army
- 16 to escort prisoners of war home from the Gulf War; and
- 17 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon, visiting the sick, counseling the
- 18 troubled, baptizing a new believer, or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or
- 19 humanitarian, Reverend Collins serves as a shining example of God's righteous path; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend Collins is a source of
- 21 strength and direction for persons in all walks of life and from all economic strata; and

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WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message

- 23 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for her innumerable good works rendered
- 24 on behalf of persons in need.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 26 commend Reverend Cheryl R. Collins on her amazing service to her congregation and
- 27 community and extend best wishes for many more years of successful fellowship and
- 28 leadership.
- 29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 30 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Cheryl R. Collins.